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Environmental
Management
Council (EMC) is a part of
the Monroe County
Department of Public Health.
The EMC serves in an
advisory capacity to various
governmental agencies and
works closely with municipal
conservation boards on
environmental issues. The
EMC holds monthly meetings
on environmental topics that
are free and open to the
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Useful Links

Monroe County
www.monroecounty.gov

*New York State Energy Research
and Development Authority*
www.nyserda.org

NYS Energy \$mart Programs
www.getenergysmart.org

US Department of Energy
www.energy.gov

Rochester Gas and Electric
www.rge.com

*NYS Public Service Commission
Low Income Home Energy
Assistance Program (LIHEAP)*
[www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/
liheap](http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/liheap)



Maggie Brooks
County Executive

“Watt” It Takes To \$ave Money

*These tips on energy saving
ideas have been compiled by
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Monroe County Environmental Management Council



Lighting Tip\$

Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs

Match lighting level to task

Take advantage of natural sunlight – leave curtains or blinds open during daylight hours

Use motion sensors on outdoor lighting

Turn lights off upon leaving a room

Dust light bulbs periodically

Use timers for decorative and holiday lighting

Household Tip\$

Weather-strip doors

Insulate attics and crawlspaces

Caulk and seal windows or upgrade to new energy efficient models

In the winter, set thermostat at 68° F during the day and 62° F at bedtime

In summer, set air conditioner to 78° F

Install a programmable thermostat to maximize your energy savings

Replace washers in faucets that drip

Miscellaneous Tip\$

Run only full loads in the dishwasher

Use the cold water setting for the rinse cycle when doing laundry

Check toilets for water leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the back of the tank. If the water in the bowl changes color within 10 minutes, there is a leak and water is being wasted

Keep auto tires properly inflated and drive reasonably – no quick stops or starts

Purchase a low flow showerhead to conserve water